EQUITY CIVIL BILLS (IRELAND).

RETURN to an Order of the Honourable The House of Commons, dated 14 June 1888;—*for*,

RETURN "of the Number of EQUITY CIVIL BILLS Filed in each County of *Ireland* in each Year since the passing of 'THE COUNTY OFFICERS ACT, 1877,' and of the Amounts Paid by the TREASURY to Clerks of the Peace, Clerks of the Crown and Peace, and Registrars of Civil Bill Courts, for each County in *Ireland* for the Year 1887, distinguishing whether for Salaries, Allowances, Expenses, or other Remuneration."

(*Mr. Murphy.*)

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RETURN showing the Number of EQUITY CIVIL BILLS Filed in each County in *Ireland* in each Year since the passing of the COUNTY OFFICERS ACT, 1877.

NAME OF COUNTY.	Number of Equity Civil Bills Filed in the Year												TOTAL.
	1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.	1887.	1888 to 30 June.	
Antrim	–	89	65	80	110	68	100	115	100	89	139	86	973
Armagh	–	19	26	32	45	45	84	53	89	42	43	39	447
Carlow	–	1	2	–	1	3	1	2	–	1	–	2	13
Cavan	–	2	16	8	12	13	24	20	21	23	15	14	168
Clare	–	9	15	9	10	14	23	11	18	13	18	10	150
Cork, East Riding	–	14	15	30	21	21	17	23	16	16	12	11	196
Cork, West Riding	–	11	6	11	7	20	40	25	33	17	28	12	210
Donegal	–	20	26	22	16	25	48	73	65	189	106	54	624
Down	–	21	18	76	71	58	53	76	85	43	61	48	590
Dublin	–	2	2	1	7	6	11	6	5	6	10	7	63
Dublin City	–	1	8	18	17	30	11	18	18	18	25	11	175
Fermanagh	–	9	15	11	10	12	17	24	25	13	18	8	162
Galway	–	8	3	9	9	11	9	24	23	5	18	6	123
Kerry	–	28	20	24	9	17	31	26	36	17	13	11	232
Kildare	–	6	5	12	4	10	4	10	5	5	10	3	74
Kilkenny	–	2	3	4	2	1	2	2	3	2	4	3	28
King's	–	1	3	–	2	3	–	7	8	4	8	3	37
Leitrim	–	4	5	10	6	9	6	14	8	8	9	5	84
Limerick	–	12	12	23	20	21	13	19	20	12	20	12	184
Londonderry	–	8	37	38	39	42	43	62	50	48	49	28	444
Longford	–	4	1	3	3	9	1	4	3	6	7	3	48
Louth	–	6	5	3	8	1	9	12	10	6	2	12	74
Mayo	–	7	12	10	17	11	14	17	16	24	32	12	172
Meath	–	5	7	8	3	10	5	7	6	14	5	3	73
Monaghan	–	4	14	15	22	13	19	29	49	24	20	17	228
Queen's	–	2	–	2	1	–	4	2	8	10	10	3	40
Roscommon	–	1	4	1	2	2	3	1	9	9	6	2	40
Sligo	–	–	4	5	9	7	8	12	14	10	11	–	80
Tipperary	–	19	13	3	5	8	18	13	12	11	26	6	132
Tyrone	–	14	28	49	33	44	52	77	54	43	109	65	566
Waterford	–	5	8	13	8	10	5	3	12	11	6	2	83
Westmeath	–	16	16	2	2	4	9	9	11	9	7	5	90
Wexford	–	4	5	–	4	6	11	5	11	11	18	3	78
Wicklow	–	2	4	6	6	5	8	8	13	4	4	4	61
TOTAL	–	304	421	540	548	559	648	809	812	743	864	492	8,738

The numbers given in this Return include proceedings instituted by petition.
This Return has been compiled from Returns obtained from Clerks of the Peace and Clerks of the Crown and Peace in Ireland.

Dublin Castle, 10 August 1888.

West Ridgeway.

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AMOUNTS paid by the TREASURY to Clerks of the Peace, Clerks of the Crown and Peace, and Registrars of Civil Bill Courts, for each County in *Ireland*, for the Year 1887, distinguishing whether for Salaries, Expenses, Allowances, or other Remuneration.

———	Salaries.	Clerical Allowances.	Expenses (Travelling, &c.).	Other Remuneration.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Clerks of the Peace* - -	- - -	91 8 4	31 19 -	247 18 6
Clerks of Crown and Peace -	15,081 8 6	4,574 9 11	—	—
Registrars - - - -	- - -	- - -	1,765 18 10	4,452 4
Registrar of Civil Bills, Dublin.†	100 - -	100 - -	—	—

* The only payments made to Clerks of the Peace are for duties performed under the Land Acts

† The Registrar of Civil Bills, in the City Court of the Recorder of Dublin, has been granted under very special circumstances, 100 *l.* per annum extra remuneration under the 27th section and 100 *l.* per annum for clerical assistance, &c., under the 15th section, of the County Officers and Courts Act, 1877. This office was created by 81 Geo. 2, c. 16, but will cease to exist upon the occurrence of the next vacancy therein. The present holder is not entitled to a special pension under the 24th section of the County Officers and Courts Act, 1877. The Registrar of Civil Bills stood in the same position to the Recorder that the Clerks of the Peace did to the Assistant Barristers in relation to Civil business.

R. W. A. Holmes.

4 August 1888.

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